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**For: SYNCHRONIZATION METHOD AND APPARATUS IN A VALUE
METERING SYSTEM HAVING A DIGITAL PRINT HEAD**

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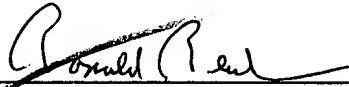
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